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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

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First named inventor: Langer, et al.

Application No.: 09/724,382

Art Unit: 1617

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Examiner: Webman

Title: Semi-Interpenetrating or Interpenetrating Polymer Network for Drug

Delivery and Tissue Engineering

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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ has been paid previously on is enclosed herewith.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PETITION FOR REVIVAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Applicant submits herewith a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally under 37 C.F.R. §1.137. Applicant submits that the entire delay in submitting the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional. The application became abandoned for failure to file a response to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2002. Applicant submits that it was unaware that this Office Action had been mailed.

The attorneys of record for the application represented Applicant's licensee. Under the terms of the license, the licensee was not permitted to abandon any substantive claim without prior written permission from Applicant. Neither the attorneys of record nor the licensee notified Applicant of their receipt of the Office Action. The licensee filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection under Title 11 of the U.S. Code, and the bankruptcy court ordered the file for the application transferred to the debtor's bankruptcy counsel. Applicant has been informed that the bankruptcy counsel failed to properly docket the deadline for response to the outstanding Office

Action. As a result, no response was filed and the application became abandoned. Applicant posted a routine inquiry to the original attorneys of record asking about the status of the application and learned that they no longer had the file for the application. Applicant located the file at the bankruptcy counsel and had it transferred to the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully submits that the abandonment of the application and the delay in filing the enclosed petition did not result from a deliberately chosen course of action on the part of the Applicant.

Please charge any fees associated with this filing, or apply any credits, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

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